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FOR THE AMBASSADOR FROM ERNST

1. WE ARE AT A LOSS TO UNDERSTAND REFTTEL SUGGESTION OF CRITICISM OF PROGRESS OF OPERATION KITCHEN BY DEA AND STATE. CONCERNED ELEMENTS OF DEA AND STATE AGREE THAT THE PROGRESS OF KITCHEN ACTUALLY EXCEEDS OUR EXPECTATIONS AND ARE MORE THAN PLEASED WITH ALL ASPECTS OF THE MISSION'S HANDLING OF THE PROGRAM. FURTHER, WE ARE UNABLE TO FIND EVIDENCE OF CRITICISM OF ANY INDIVIDUALS AT THE MISSION CONCERNING MANAGEMENT OF THE OPERATION.

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2. YOU MAY BE ASSURED THAT WE WILL ADVISE YOU IF EVIDENCE

OF CRITICISM IS FOUND, BUT BASED ON OUR PRESENT EVALUATION
OF THE OPERATION, WE ARE HIGHLY SATISFIED WITH THE DEVELOP-
MENTS AND LOOK FORWARD TO A VERY SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION. SISCO

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